Frequently asked questions

WHO COMES TO MY MEETING?

You and your primary supports will discuss the most appropriate people to include in your meeting. As a team, you will consider who should attend, including friends, family, neighbors, members of your faith community, employers and co-workers, sponsors, and any other person you feel can support you.

WHERE WILL MY MEETING BE HELD?

You and your guests will work with the Family Engagement Coordinator to choose a neutral location that feels right to you.

HOW LONG WILL MY MEETING TAKE?

Meeting times vary depending on the goals and needs of participants. Meetings typically range from 1-3 hours. Food will be provided.

WHAT ABOUT CHILDCARE & TRANSPORTATION?

If there are barriers to your participation, your Family Engagement Coordinator can help you find creative ways to remove those barriers.

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Family Group Decision Making



A restorative, family-driven practice facilitated by York County Human Services

What is a Family Engagement Meeting?

An opportunity to bring together supportive family and friends, helpful community members, and service providers.

A process that draws on your personal experiences and needs to develop a plan for ongoing success.

A discussion that focuses on individual and group strengths to address any challenges or barriers to success.

A way for participants to actively engage in decision-making with their family and community to move together toward individual and community safety.





We are committed to the belief that FGDM has the potential to energize hope, guide change, and foster healing for families.

The Family Engagement Unit recognizes participants' commitment to change and the importance of building stronger families and a healthier community for all.

Family engagement meetings assist participants to develop a plan that will address individual and family needs. These needs sometimes include:

- Building & maintaining healthy, nurturing relationships
- Parenting, co-parenting, & caregiving
- Emotional support & self-care
- Mental health & wellness
- Time management & non-violent problem solving skills
- Achieving unmet graduation or employment goals
- Planning for & managing setbacks
- Special needs and accommodations (childcare, transportation, language barriers, physical or intellectual disabilities, other identified needs)
- Budgeting finances, planning for long-term life goals
- Deepening connection to the community through activities, events, & giving back to others